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## CPUC TAKES ANOTHER STEP TOWARD STATE'S RENEWABLE ENERGY GOAL WITH APPROVAL OF PG&E'S RENEWABLE CONTRACTS

SAN FRANCISCO, December 18, 2008 - The California Public Utilities Commission today approved two new renewable energy contracts for Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E), furthering the state's progress towards its 2010 and 2020 renewable energy goals.

The table below provides a brief explanation of the projects:

Generating Facility	Type	Term Years	Capacity (MW)	Energy Deliveries (GWh)	Online Date	Location
San Joaquin Solar 1 and 2	Solar Thermal / Biofuel	20 years	106 MW	700 GWh	06/30/2011	Coalinga, California
Klondike IIIa	Wind	10 years	90 MW	Year 1-5: 263 GWh Year 6-10: 132-263 GWh	12/31/2008	Sherman County, Oregon

Through its agreement with San Joaquin Solar, PG&E will receive deliveries equal to approximately 700 gigawatt hours (GWh) of energy per year. The project, which is owned by Martifer, will generate electricity using a hybrid of solar thermal and biofuel technology and will be located in Fresno County, California.

PG&E's agreement with Klondike IIIa represents new capacity at Iberdrola Renewable's Klondike Wind facility, which PG&E began procuring energy from in 2007. Generation at the expanded project is expected to begin at the end of 2008, thus contributing to PG&E's 2010 Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) goal.



The CPUC's RPS Program requires Investor Owned Utilities, Energy Service Providers, and Community Choice Aggregators operating in California to obtain 20 percent of their retail sales from renewable energy sources by 2010. On November 17<sup>th</sup>, Governor Schwarzenegger signed an Executive Order (S-14-08) that established a 33 percent by 2020 RPS goal.

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